

Appl. No. 10/682,630  
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### AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Claims 1 - 24 (Cancelled)

25. (Currently Amended) A cleaning implement for hard surface cleaning comprising:

- (a) a handle;
- (b) a mop head pivotably attached to said handle, said mop head having a pad forming a bottom surface;
- (c) at least one elevational element attached to said bottom surface of said pad such that said mop head is capable of pivoting relative ~~the~~ a surface to be cleaned; and
- (d) an absorbent cleaning pad engaging said elevational element and removably attachable to said mop head wherein said absorbent cleaning pad further comprises at least a functional cuff attached to said pad, said cuff comprising a cuff material and having an inner surface and an outer surface capable of contacting a surface to be cleaned wherein the ratio of the glide force resulting from the contact of the inner surface of said cuff material against itself relative to the glide force resulting from the contact of the outer surface of said cuff material against the material of the surface to be cleaned is smaller than 1.

26. (Original) The cleaning implement of claim 25 wherein the width of said elevational element is smaller than the width of said mop head.

27. (Original) The cleaning implement of claim 25 wherein the length of said elevational element is smaller than the length of said mop head.

28. (Original) The cleaning implement of claim 25 wherein the edges of said elevational element are either squared, rounded, angled, textured, smooth or any combination thereof.

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29. (Original) The cleaning implement of claim 25 wherein said elevational element is generally non-compressible
30. (Original) The cleaning implement of claim 25 wherein said elevational element is generally compressible.